

HOUSE BILL No. 1104

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 8-23-29.

Synopsis: Alternative transportation funding mechanisms. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to contract with a third party for a study of alternative funding mechanisms for the maintenance of Indiana's transportation infrastructure.

Effective: Upon passage.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 8-23-29 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
- 2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON
- 3 PASSAGE]:
- 4 **Chapter 29. Transportation Infrastructure Funding**
- 5 **Mechanisms**
- 6 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "study" refers to the study of
- 7 **transportation infrastructure funding mechanisms that is the**
- 8 **subject of the contract described in section 2 of this chapter.**
- 9 **Sec. 2.** The department shall contract with a third party to study
- 10 **transportation infrastructure funding mechanisms. The contract**
- 11 **must include the following terms:**
- 12 **(1) A description of the funding mechanisms that will be**
- 13 **studied. The funding mechanisms must include the following:**
- 14 **(A) An option that is based on variables, including vehicle**
- 15 **gross weight and miles traveled.**
- 16 **(B) An option that accounts for variations in usage and**



degree of damage caused to transportation infrastructure by vehicles of different sizes and configurations.

(C) A flat per vehicle fee.

(D) Adjustments to the gasoline tax imposed under IC 6-6-1.1.

(2) The duration of the study, which must be at least two (2) years.

(3) An inventory of the transportation infrastructure that will be maintained through revenue generated by the funding mechanisms included in the study. The inventory must include the primary, county local, and municipal local highway systems.

(4) The sufficiency rating (as defined in IC 8-23-12-1) or equivalent standard to which the transportation infrastructure must be maintained.

Sec. 3. The study must do the following:

(1) Review the literature of similar studies conducted in other jurisdictions.

(2) Determine the cost of maintaining the transportation infrastructure designated in the contract to the standard designated in the contract.

(3) Depending on the mechanism, calculate the per unit amount required to generate revenue sufficient to cover the costs described in subdivision (2).

(4) Identify privacy concerns associated with each funding mechanism.

(5) Evaluate the effects of each funding mechanism on alternative fuel and advanced technology vehicles.

Sec. 4. Not later than July 1 of each year of the study, the department shall provide the results of the study to date in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the following:

(1) The joint study committee on transportation and infrastructure assessment and solutions established by IC 2-5-28.5-2.

(2) The legislative council.

(3) The governor.

Sec. 5. The department shall pay the amount necessary for the study out of any funds available for the purpose.

SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

